

Advisory Council Meeting

Meeting: Advisory Group Meeting
Date: Monday, April 26, 2004
Time: 11:35 am – 12:20am
Place: Conference Call

Attending: Jenny Moe, Patrice Thomsen, Gina Cavasos, Doris Thompkins, Ron Johnson, Tina Guenther and Cyndi Treaster

Agenda Item	Discussion	Decisions	Follow-up Required
I. Welcome Remarks			
Cyndi Treaster	Cyndi welcomed the Advisory Council Members		
II. Reorganization of Advisory Council	Cyndi explained the reorganization of the advisory to council to include 51% or more users. While the voucher program follows different guidance (PIN) than federally funded community health centers and are not required to have 51 percent users, KSFHP is committed recognizes the importance of having significant user input. She also stated that this commitment was important to include in the medical expansion grant KSFHP recently submitted. Some of the members are new and some were retained from the make up of the last Advisory Council.		
III. Introduction of Advisory Members	Cyndi mentioned that the goal of this call is to let everyone get to know each other and discuss the role and responsibilities of the council. She asked that everyone introduce themselves and give a little bit of background information to the council.		
Cyndi Treaster	Cyndi has worked with KSFHP for almost 10 years; she has been a school social worker and has primarily worked with the migrant population. She is a Social Worker by profession.		
Patrice Thomsen	Patrice works for KDHE in the WIC program and represents the Bureau of Children, Youth and Families programs. She has worked for KDHE for 11 years and is a dietitian by profession.		
Tina Guenther	Tina works as a Health Promoter for KSFHP working mostly with the Low Germans. She grew up in the Low German community. Her husband works for a farmer and she has three boys.		

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Jenny Moe	Jenny works for the Department of Human Resources soon to be Department of Commerce. She oversees programs in her division whose clients are farmworkers. She takes complaints from farmworkers on topics that range from wage and hour to OSHA violations and housing conditions. Jenny is Latina and grew up speaking Spanish. She has worked for the state for 23 years.		
Ron Johnson	Ron works for the Department of Education in the Migrant Education Program. Ron works with a lot of the same families as KSFHP. Migrant Education works with school districts that have migrant children that attend their schools. The money given to the schools is used to serve the children better by paying for teachers, paras, recruiters and materials.		
Gina Cavasos	Gina lives in Ulysses and works for UMMAM and is one of four billing clerks. She is married and has two children. Her father was a migrant farmworker and she has family members that are currently farmworkers.		
IV. Review of Advisory Member Notebook			
Cyndi Treaster	<p>Cyndi went over the notebook and pointed out a few details.</p> <p>Things that Cyndi pointed out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KDHE attorney went over the Bylaws • The PIN number is the guidance KSFHP follows • Your responsibility as a Council Member (see notebook) <p>Cyndi asked that all council members look over the business plan and health plan before the next meeting and get familiarized with them. She explained that if they do not make sense to you when you read them that you should ask questions at the next meeting. We will look at how to build on these plans for 2005.</p> <p>Cyndi asked if anyone had any questions.</p>		
Jenny Moe	Jenny explained that she did not understand why Tina was not listed on the Program Contacts page in the notebook.		

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Cyndi Treaster	Cyndi went into detail that the people on the contact page where the regional case managers. Tina and the other two ladies Helen Loewen and Tina Dyck were health promoters. The health promoters are actually supported through the Western Conference Mennonite USA. The health promotion work is a result of the surveys done last year farmworkers. The surveys showed there were many barriers to health services related to culture and language in the Low German community. Since none of the case managers speak Low German the meet the needs of the Low German population are better met with the health promotion strategy. The health promoters are supported through small grants like the \$20,000 Schowalter Foundation. Unless KSFHP is awarded the medical expansion grant we cannot guarantee we will always have money to continue the health promotion work.		
V. Next Meeting			
Cyndi Treaster	In the next meeting Cyndi said we would be reviewing the health plan and the business plan. It will be a longer meeting. The next meeting was agreed upon to be: Tuesday, June 29 th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.		Cyndi will e-mail everyone the survey results and tell them where to place it in their notebooks.